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KID**Fund Lead Removal Action, MichCon Station H. Site, Detroit, Wayne County, Michigan**

On June 8, 1998, U.S. EPA mobilized START and ERCS contractors to conduct removal actions at the MichCon Station H. Site. The site is located at 201 South Green Avenue, Detroit, Michigan. The area surrounding the site is primarily industrial/commercial with a residential neighborhood and high school approximately 2 blocks south of the site.

The site is a former carburetted water gasification plant owned by Detroit City Gas Company, currently known as MichCon. The plant closed in 1945 and the facility was sold to a charcoal company and finally to a scrap iron and metal company. In 1995 the property reverted to the State of Michigan due to nonpayment of taxes. In November 1997, the City of Detroit obtained the property from the State for Brownfields redevelopment.

The City of Detroit requested U.S. EPA's assistance with accessing environmental threats and conducting removal actions as necessary. A site assessment conducted by U.S. EPA revealed the presence of partially buried drums of hazardous materials, high-pressure gas cylinders, leaking PCB capacitors, thousands of tires, and debris from midnight dumping scattered across the entire site.

ERCS contractors are currently sifting through debris piles to locate and remove hazardous materials. Nonhazardous debris and tires are being stockpiled for removal by the City's Director of Public Works. An extent of contamination study of surface soils is being conducted by the START contractor to determine extent of PCB contamination. U.S. EPA is currently negotiating with MichCon as a PRP to perform a subsurface extent of contamination study.

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